UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
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CESARI S.R.L.,

Plaintiff,

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ENDORSEMENT

- against -

17 Civ. 873 (NRB)

PEJU PROVINCE WINERY L.P., PEJU FAMILY OPERATING PARTNERSHIP L.P., and PEJU PROVINCE CORPORATION,

Defendants.

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NAOMI REICE BUCHWALD UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Peju's request for a <u>Daubert</u> hearing is denied. <u>See</u> ECF No. 432. As Peju's counsel recognizes, <u>Daubert</u> has a very limited role in the non-jury context. Given plaintiff's expert is a forensic accountant whose testimony is derived from documents provided by defendants, a <u>Daubert</u> hearing would not be productive. This is especially true because any issues defendants have with plaintiff's expert report itself can be raised at the scheduled trial.

Additionally, in order to prepare for trial, the Court directs defendants to provide, as was provided by plaintiff, all the documents and transcripts relied upon by defendants' expert in his report, using the same format as plaintiff. Three hard copies of this binder should be delivered to Chambers by Tuesday, June 20,

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2023. Defendants should also email an electronic copy of the

binder to the Chambers email by June 20, 2023.

Finally, it has been the Court's intention to follow at trial

the common practice in this district to have the expert report

constitute the direct examination of the expert, such that trial

is essentially limited to cross examination and redirect. After

receiving defendant's expert binder on Tuesday, we will conduct a

conference to determine whether there may be any reason not to

proceed in that fashion.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: New York, New York

June 14, 2023

NAOMI REICE BUCHWALD

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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